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During the week ended November 11, 1905, there were 33 deaths from cholera and 21 deaths from plague in Calcutta.

In Bengal during the week ended November 11, 1905, 314 cases and 230 deaths.

#### JAPAN.

##### *Report from Kobe--Plague.*

Consul Sharp reports, November 14, as follows:

Plague has broken out at this port, the official sanitary returns showing as follows: November 8, 1 case, 1 death; November 9, 1 case, no death; November 10, 2 cases, 1 death; November 11, no case, 1 death.

The cases of plague above mentioned were not known to this consulate until the 13th instant, and as several clean bills of health had been granted to vessels destined for American ports on the 8th and 11th instant, I have cabled this information to the quarantine stations at those ports concerned.

A messenger is sent every morning from this consulate to the city office to obtain the sanitary statistics of this port, but the statistics above referred to were not communicated in time to be used for the vessels in question.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

##### *Report from Manila--Cholera and smallpox.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, November 11 and 17, as follows:

During the week ended November 4, 1905, the following quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila: Smallpox, 2 cases, no deaths; cholera, 9 cases, 7 deaths.

During the week vessels bound for ports under the jurisdiction of the United States were granted bills of health as follows:

On October 30, 1905, the British steamship *Sikh*, with 64 crew, en route from Yokohama to New York, was granted a supplemental bill of health. Forecastles were fumigated with sulphur. Crew were inspected at hour of sailing; 7,728 packages of miscellaneous cargo certified.

On October 30, 1905, the British steamship *Kaifong*, with 64 crew, 6 cabin and 14 steerage passengers, en route from Hongkong and Amoy to Cebu and Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health after being held in quarantine at Mariveles a sufficient length of time to make the detention and voyage aggregate the quarantine period.

On November 2, 1905, the British steamship *Lowther Castle*, with 45 crew, en route from Cebu to New York, was granted a supplemental bill of health. Vessel was fumigated throughout at Cebu. Crew inspected prior to sailing. Miscellaneous cargo certified, 22,113 packages.

Week ended November 11, 1905. Cholera, 6 cases, 8 deaths.

There has been practically no cholera in the city of Manila during the past two weeks which could be correctly charged to the city itself.

The cases reported have almost invariably occurred among persons who came from the provinces within twenty-four hours of the time they were taken ill with the disease. The situation in the provinces is not as encouraging as it might be. The number of towns infected is constantly growing and there is no longer a sufficient number of experienced medical men available to combat the disease at the numerous places at which it has made its appearance. The rainy season is now about over and the disease will probably not spread so rapidly, provided the streams can be kept free from cholera. Heretofore, in the towns in which cholera appeared, the health authorities have had the assistance of the community in stamping it out. The disease has now made its appearance in Cavite Province, where a large portion of the population refuses to believe that the disease is cholera and they render no assistance whatever to the health authorities. In consequence the disease is spreading there much more rapidly than at other places.

During the week vessels cleared for the United States as follows:

On November 11, 1905, the American steamship *Hyades*, with 58 crew and no passengers, cleared for Tacoma via China and Japan ports. Cabins, forecastles, and storerooms were fumigated with sulphur dioxide. Cargo certified, 2,159 packages. Crew inspected on board at the hour of sailing.

#### PORTO RICO.

#### *Report from San Juan—Transactions of Service.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Atilas reports, December 8, as follows:

Transactions of the service at San Juan and the six subports of the island during the month of October, 1905:

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Bills of health issued .....	26
Vessels inspected.....	15
Vessels held in quarantine .....	4
Vessels fumigated .....	1
Persons held in quarantine.....	12

The vessel fumigated was the American steamship *Arkadia*, which arrived at this port on October 14, 1905, from New Orleans. The vessels held in quarantine but permitted to transact business under guard were the German steamship *Iris*, from Haitian ports and La Guaira, the American steamships *Caracas* and *Philadelphia*, from ports of Venezuela and Curaçao, and the Spanish steamship *Montserrat*, from Central and South American ports.

The health of this port continues good and no quarantinable diseases have been reported.

The subports show the following transactions for the month: Mayaguez, 7 vessels inspected and 12 bills of health issued; Arecibo, 3 vessels inspected and 4 bills of health issued; Humacao, 1 vessel inspected and no bills issued; Aguadilla, 3 vessels inspected and 8 bills of health issued; Arroyo, 1 vessel inspected and 4 bills of health issued; Fajardo, 4 vessels inspected and 3 bills of health issued.